

SPECIFICATION AMENDMENT

Please add the following new heading and paragraph at page 1, line 15:

Cross-Reference to Related Application

This application hereby incorporates by reference and claims benefit of U.S. Application No. 09/475,716, filed 12/30/1999, now U.S. Patent No. 6,654,384.

Please replace the paragraph at page 5, lines 6-9, with the following amended paragraph:

U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/475,642, ~~Express Mail Mailing No. EL 524 780018 US,~~ now U.S. Patent No. 6,650,623, filed December 30, 1999 in the name of Subir Varma, Khuong Ngo, Jean Fuentes, Paul Truong, and Reza Majidi-Ahy, attorney docket number 164.1002.01, titled "Adaptive Link Layer for Point to Multipoint Communication System."